GCEC Regular Meeting Thursday, November 9, 2017 4:15 p.m., UOG SOE Building

I. CALL TO ORDER / ROLL CALL OF MEMBERS

GCEC Chair Hendricks called the meeting to order at **4:17 p.m.**, on Thursday Nov. 9, 2017 at the UOG - SOE, Room 213, Mangilao.

Commission Members: All Present

Others Present: Doris Faisao (GDOE)

II. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion by M Santos and seconded by Baza-Cruz to approve the minutes. APPROVED.

M Santos recommended that the agenda items be limited to the subject matter.

III REPORTS

A. TREASURER'S REPORT

No report because there was no access to the AS 400 since the PO's for the access was not ready.

B. CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

Hendricks attended the NASDTEC PPI Conference in Phoenix, AZ. It was very informative. She is working on applicable ideas for Guam. Frederick Lane will be on Guam on April 2018 and will speak at her School Law class for future administrators. She relayed the heart wrenching discussion on the issue of cyber and child pornography where victims were blackmailed into providing pornography to the perpetrator.

C. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Sep 25 Letter to Dolores Rojas

Oct 11 NASDTEC regional conference call

Oct 18-20 PPI conference in Phoenix, AZ

Responded to NASDTEC surveys

- New Mexico policies on obtaining arrest records from the FBI
- Rhode Island policies and procedures for long term substitutes, Special Education Administrator certificate, and expiration requirements for working and non-working educators
- Oregon American Sign Language credentialing
- Oregon Ed Prep Program Review & Financial / Fiduciary Considerations
- Delaware policies and procedures for approving a license or certificate for Dean of Students.
- Rhode Island policies and procedures for long term substitutes
- Hawaii regulations concerning the issuance of licenses for teaching "at-risk" students.

From Aug 19 to Nov. 3, 53 certificates were issued and I extension request was denied.

D. Sub-Committees No reports.

IV Old Business

A. Vince John Quitugua - July 7, 2017 judgement

The reply from the AG stated that based on PL 32-236, a hearing must be conducted. Hendricks asked how a hearing will be conducted when the educator is in jail. L Santos stated that the AG did not explain how. Baza-Cruz stated that "if we have a hearing, we provide him with a certified letter stating when we are conducting the hearing and it is his option to get back to us whether he can be there ... If he does not reply, then we can conduct the hearing." Hendricks instructed L Santos to "serve him." Santos will send notice by registered mail so GCEC receives a receipt. L Santos will speak to the AG's Office on how to proceed since we have no lawyer. Hendricks stated that we will develop an SOP and put it on file for future reference.

Motion by Ichihara-Rosario and seconded by M Santos to serve Vince John Quitugua with a notice of the proposed action. APPROVED.

B. Dolores Cruz Rojas Extension Appeal – July 17, 2017
 Dolores Rojas picked up the denial letter and did not provide additional information as stated in the law.

Motion by M Santos and seconded by Cooper-Nurse to deny the appeal request. APPROVED.

C. Chamorro Language and Culture Requirements
To be discussed

V New Business

VI Ex-Officio

Faisao stated that since the certificate is for Chamorro Language and Culture, it is assumed that this includes the language, dancing, chanting, cooking, etc. She questions the proposal submitted by the Chamorro Division since it does not include other aspects of the culture. M Santos explained that their proposal related to the pedagogy. There was no Fine Arts. Ichihara-Rosario stated that Faisao was talking about a more comprehensive approach of the cultural knowledge. When the secondary schools were on a quarterly basis, different aspects were taught but when they changed to the semester system, the program changed. There is confusion because some principals have preferences for music, dancing or chanting and sometimes the teacher that is available is not comfortable teaching dancing or chanting. Baza-Cruz added that what happens when a principal wants weaving or cooking. M Santos added that not everyone has all those specialties. She believes that UOG will not be teaching other courses like Chamorro dancing and chanting. Faisao added that

GDOE Personnel does not know the strength of the individual Chamorro teacher so they assume that the educator should be able to teach in all areas. Ichihara-Rosario explained that they teach all the aspects at GWHS. A great majority of the certificate holders have Basic Chamorro only.

M Santos discussed the NASDTEC survey that they just received. It presented opportunities for improvement versus the CAPE standards.

VII Announcements

VIII Executive Session

IX Adjournment

Motion by Ichihara-Rosario and seconded by Cooper Nurse to adjourn. APPROVED. Adjourned at 4:44 pm.